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April 25, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PROJECT
DESCANSO GARDENS SLOPE STABILIZATION PROJECT
CAPITAL PROJECT 69202
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5
3 VOTES**

**JOINT RECOMMENDATION WITH THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND
THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Accept the completed contract work performed under Project ID. No. D0000951,
Descanso Garden Slope Stabilization Project, Capital Project No. 69202, City of
La Cañada-Flintridge (5), R.C.C., with a final contract amount of \$93,499.75.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board acceptance of the work of the contract in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code.

On June 7, 2005, your Board awarded a construction contract to R.C.C. for the removal of two oak trees, hillside grading, installation of a subdrainage system, construction of a concrete gutter, and landscaping and irrigation to a slope located within the gardens adjacent to the Boddy House. Further, the Garden staff relocated the Tea Plantation Garden plants to the Japanese Garden and reestablished the Tea Plantation Garden with those plants identified within the hillside restoration guidelines.

This project has been completed to the satisfaction of Public Works and it is recommended that your Board accept it.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of this contract is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence and Fiscal Responsibility since it provides slope remediation to allow visitors to use this area of the Gardens and effectively manages the resources we have to invest in public infrastructure.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Acceptance of the work of the contract by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

The total construction cost is \$93,500, which is \$1,500 less than the Board approved cost of \$95,000. The total project cost is \$344,000, which is \$44,000 less than the Board's previously approved estimated cost of \$388,000. The Project Schedule and Budget Summary are included as Enclosure A.

The Adopted 1999-2000 Capital Project Adopted Budget included funding identified for slope stabilization projects at several parks throughout the County. Four of the five slope projects are now completed. The remaining project is being evaluated and will be presented to your Board when plans and specifications are completed.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

This contract was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

There is no environmental impact associated with this action.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

This action is your Board's final step in the contracting process and will initiate the release of the Contractor's retention.

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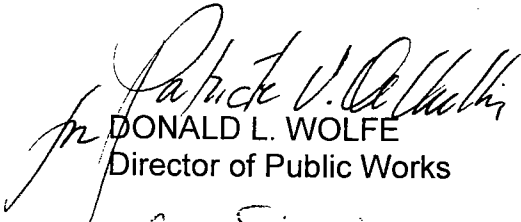
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Acceptance of the work of the contract by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of this contract.

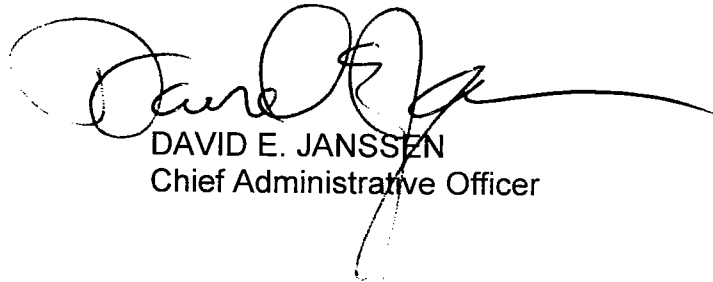
CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Chief Administrative Office (Capital Projects Division), Parks and Recreation, and Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director of Public Works



DAVID E. JANSSEN
Chief Administrative Officer



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Director of Parks and Recreation

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cc: Auditor-Controller
County Counsel

ENCLOSURE A

**ACCEPTANCE OF PROJECT
DESCANSO GARDENS SLOPE STABILIZATION PROJECT
(FIFTH DISTRICT) (3-VOTES)**

I. PROJECT SCHEDULE

Project Activity	Scheduled Completion Date
Project Needs Assessment	N/A
Project Feasibility	N/A
Project Program	N/A
Design: Construction Document Submittal * Jurisdictional Approval *	2/28/05 3/01/05
Construction Bid and Award*	6/06/05
Construction: Substantial Completion* Project Acceptance*	1/15/06 4/18/06

***Indicates completed activity**

II. PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY

Budget Category	Board Approved Budget	Impact of this Action	Revised Board Approved Budget
Land Acquisition	N/A	N/A	N/A
Construction			
(a) Construction	\$ 95,000	(\$ 1,500)	\$ 93,500
(b) Change Orders	21,750	(21,750)	0
Subtotal	116,750	(23,250)	93,500
Landscape Relocation/Reinstallation and Irrigation	76,000	0	76,000
Plans and Specifications	42,000	0	42,000
Unforeseen Site Conditions	50,226	(50,226)	0
Consultant Services	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Expenditures	10,000	0	10,000
Jurisdictional Review and Plan Check	5,000	0	5,000
County Services *	88,024	29,476	117,500
Total Project Budget	\$388,000	\$44,000	\$344,000

* County Services include Public Works survey, geology, soils testing, engineering and contract administration.